

ABSTRACT

A liquid crystal/cured composite layer is formed by sandwiching a mixture of a liquid crystal with an uncured curable compound i.e. a curable compound represented by a structure of an acryloyl group-(OR<sub>1</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O-mesogen  
5 structural portion-O-(R<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>m</sub>-acryloyl group structure (wherein each of R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> is a C<sub>2-6</sub> alkylene group, and each of n and m is from 1 to 10), between a pair of substrates provided with transparent electrodes, and  
10 curing the curable compound.

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